more county; and an act to suppress duelling; and the resolution in favour of Arthur M'Lean, of Baltimore county, ageed to on Saturday, were sent to the senate for concurrence.

The Speaker laid before the house a report from the trustees of the Franklin Academy, at Reister's town, in Baltimore county, disclosing the state and condition of that institution, made in conformity with the law upon the subject; which report

was referred to the committee on education.

And also reports from the clerk of Allegany county court, and the sheriff of Allegany county, shewing the several sums of money paid by them, respectively, into the treasury of the western shore, during the year ending on the 50th of November 1828; transmitted in accordance with the resolution No. 70, passed at the last session; which reports were severally referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition of George King, of the state of Ohio, an imprisoned debtor in the gaol of Washington county, praying a special act of insolvency may be passed, for his relief; which petition was referred to the committee on in-

solvency.

Mr. Gaither presented a petition of Rebecca Duley, of Montgomery county, praying for pecuniary relief. in consequence of inability to procure a support.

Mr. Hitch presented a petition of Violet Jackson, of Wor-

cester county, of similar import.

Ordered, that the two last mentioned petitions be severally referred to the committee on the subject to which they respec-

tively relate.

Mr. M'Mahon of Allegany, presented a petition of John J. Jacob, of Allegany county, who was an officer in the 6th regiment of Maryland troops in the revolutionary army, praying the grant of a warrant for two hundred acres of land in said county; and also the grant of a title to certain lots of land therein mentioned; which petition was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. M'Mahon of Allegany, Buskirk and Dilly.

Mr. Wright of Dorchester, asked and obtained leave to withdraw from the files of this house the netitions presented by him, severally praying for the passage of a law to divide Dorchester

county into eight separate election districts.

Mr. Denny asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill autho-

rising the shutting up a certain road in Talbot county.

Mr. Stockett asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled. An act to alter and amend the constitution and form of government so far as relates to the council to the governor, and for other purposes. And, on his motion, it was Ordered, That a select committee, consisting of five members, be appointed by the speaker, to prepare and report said bill. Messrs. Stockett, Hood, Lee, Done and Grason, were appointed the said committee, pursuant to the order.